

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Rangen, Inc. v. Idaho Dept. of Water Resources, Docket No. 42772

This appeal flows from an order in which the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources interpreted the source and point of diversion elements of Rangen's relevant water rights to have a scope smaller than Rangen's actual historical use. The Supreme Court affirmed the district court's holdings that Rangen may divert water only from the mouth of the Martin-Curren Tunnel and only within the ten-acre tract identified on its water right partial decrees. The Court also affirmed the district court's order upholding the Director's adoption of an adverse expert's analysis and the Director's conclusion that junior priority ground water users are using water efficiently and without waste.